

Agenda Item: 16-56 **Request Approval to Send the Commission and Department Basinwide Water Quality Management Plans Annual ERC Report per GS 143-215.B (d) to the ERC**

Explanation:

General Statute 143-215.88 (d) requires the Environmental Management Commission and the Department of Environmental Quality to report on or before 1 October of each year to the Environmental Review Commission on the progress in developing and implementing water quality management plans.

The report includes information on the completion and approval of the Tar-Pamlico River basin management plan by the Environmental Management Commission in July 2015. The report also includes a list of water resource plans currently under development by the Basin Planning Branch with the assistance of many other resource agency staff.

As a requirement of the statute to include an overall pollutant summary for surface waters of the state, a summary graph of the draft 2016 Integrated Report is included.

Recommendation:

That the Environmental Management Commission approve to submit the annual report to the Environmental Review Commission for their approval